

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

August 23, 1951
10:00 A.M.

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Drake presiding.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake
Absent: None

Present also: W. E. Seaholm, City Manager; W. T. Williams, Jr., City Attorney; C. G. Levander, Director of Public Works; R. D. Thorp, Chief of Police.

Councilman MacCorkle asked that the Minutes of the last meeting be corrected to show that he requested information regarding MR. NOLVIN WARD'S recommendation about a Grievance Committee, and that he would like to receive a copy of his proposal. Councilman Johnson then moved that the Minutes of the last meeting be corrected and adopted. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake
Noes: None

MR. JAMES CULP, Route 6, Box 336, submitted a petition protesting the annexation of the Montopolis Community, on the basis (1) it is contrary to principles of democracy that the burden of sustaining the costs of government, municipal or other be laid upon only a portion of the citizenry. Objection was included to the proposal to exclude from the corporate limits the Austin Country Club; (2) the community already has all utilities except sanitary sewers, and the sanitary sewers would not be available until 1954; (3) The area is served by its own water district; (4) it is not necessary to annex the community in order to control planning, as Cities have the power to control planning within five miles of the city limits. Mayor Drake explained that the Council would like to hold

public hearings on each of these areas, and that discussions would be held at those times. He stated at the next meeting, the Council would set dates for these hearings, and asked Mr. Culp to watch the papers for the date that his community would be heard.

MR. W. L. BRADFIELD appeared before the City Council asking that Sections 2 and 3 of Colorado Foot Hills be brought immediately into the City limits. Section 1 is already in the city limit. Seven lots have been sold, and they were sold with the understanding application had been made to bring this property into the city limits. Mr. Bradfield was interested in the utility refund contracts, and asked the Council to declare a policy of entering into these utility refund contracts, with subdividers whose property was certain to be brought into the City. Councilman MacCorkle inquired if this would enter into the matter in any way with the condemnation proceedings of the property of Brush and Bradfield in the near vicinity. He wanted to consider holding this matter up since negotiations for this other property was under way, as he felt the valuations might change. Councilman Long felt the Council would be making a mistake to set a policy having to do with water lines and annexing property at this time. Mayor Drake felt it would help expedite his development to work out something on these contracts when it was certain this property was coming in. The City Manager did not think the delay would be harmful, as it would be such a short time. Mayor Drake stated that next week, the Council would set the dates of hearing for these different areas; and if the Council desired, Section No. 1 could be set first.

The matter of holding boat races on Lake Austin was brought before the Council. Councilman MacCorkle understood the way the matter stood now, that all boat racing would be restricted to the Longhorn Boat Club, and he thought there should be a limit on the total number of races for any and all groups. The Mayor stated when another club made application, the Council would have to consider how many races would be allowed that group. Councilman Long stated this club had asked for permission for a certain number of races, and the Council would be granting that particular club that permission. After discussion and further study of the present ordinance and the recommendation of the Navigation Board, Councilman Johnson moved that a policy be adopted that boat racing be permitted in a given area in Lake Austin, allowing four club races with mufflers and two sanctioned (open muffler) races per club in any one year, not to exceed one in any month. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake

Noes: None

Councilman MacCorkle inquired about the recommendation of the Traffic Board to install parallel parking on Colorado between 7th and 8th Streets. It was stated it would be some time before the building was complete and the covered passageway was torn down; and the recommendation could be brought up before the Council at that time.

Councilman Long offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, J. M. Odom is the Contractor for the erection of a building located at 1309 Guadalupe Street and desires a portion of the sidewalk and street space abutting on Lots 10, 11 and 12, Block 157, of the Original City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, during the erection of the building, such space to be used in the work and for the storage of materials therefor; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

1. THAT space for the uses hereinabove enumerated be granted to said J. M. Odom, the boundary of which is described as follows:

Sidewalk and Street Working Space

Beginning at the southwest corner of the above described property; thence in a westerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of Guadalupe Street to a point 12 feet west of the east curb line; thence in a northerly direction and parallel with the centerline of Guadalupe Street approximately 128 feet to a point; thence in an easterly direction and at right angles to the centerline of Guadalupe Street to the northwest corner of the above described property; thence in a northerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of West 14th Street to a point 12 feet north of the south curb line; thence in an easterly direction and parallel with the centerline of West 14th Street approximately 136 feet to a point; thence in a southerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of West 14th Street to the northeast corner of the above described property.

2. THAT the above privileges and allotment of space are granted to the said J. M. Odom, hereinafter termed "Contractor", upon the following express terms and conditions:

(1). That the Contractor shall construct a 4-foot walkway within the outer boundaries of the above described working space, such walkway to be protected on each side by a guard rail at least 4 feet high and substantially braced and anchored and without wood strips or obstructions of any kind along the pavement within the walkway, and at any time in the opinion of the City officials it becomes necessary for any reason to install a board floor within the walkway, the Contractor shall upon notice from the Building Inspector immediately place such a wood floor and substantially support same to prevent sagging under load.

(2). That the Contractor is permitted to construct in his working space a substantial gate which shall be kept closed at all times when not in use, and at all times that such gate is open, the Contractor shall maintain a person at this gate to warn pedestrians and vehicles of approaching trucks. This gate is not to open out so as to impede vehicular or pedestrian traffic.

(3). That no vehicles in loading or unloading material at the working space shall park on any part of the street outside of the allotted working space.

(4). That "No Parking" signs shall be placed on the street side of the barricades.

(5). That the Contractor is permitted to construct a temporary work office within such allotted working space, provided such work office is not within 25 feet of any corner street intersection.

(6). That the Contractor shall in no way obstruct any fire plugs or other public utilities in the construction of such barricades.

(7). That provisions shall be made for the normal flow of all storm waters in the gutter and the Contractor will be responsible for any damage done due to obstruction of any such storm water.

(8) That the Contractor shall place on the outside corners of the walkway, barricades or obstructions, red lights during all periods of darkness and provide lighting system for all tunnels.

(9). That the Contractor shall remove all fences, barricades, loose materials and other obstructions on the sidewalk and street immediately after the necessity for their existence on said sidewalk or street has ceased, such time to be determined by the City Manager, and in any event all such sidewalk, barricades, materials, equipment and other obstructions shall be removed not later than March 1, 1952.

(10). That the City reserves the right to revoke at any time any and all the privileges herein granted or to require the erection or installation of additional barriers or safeguards if the conditions demand it.

(11). That the use and enjoyment of the spaces herein granted shall not be exclusive as against public needs and the City, in making such grant reserves the right to enter and occupy any part or all of said space any time with its public utilities, or for other necessary public purposes.

(12). That any public utility, or public or private property, disturbed or injured as a result of any of the activities necessary for the completion of the construction work for said building projects, whether done by the Contractor, City forces, or public utilities, shall be replaced or repaired at the Contractor's expense.

(13). That the Contractor shall furnish the City of Austin a surety bond in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), which shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Austin from any claims or damages to any person or property that may accrue to or be brought by any person by reason of the exercise or abuse of the privileges granted the Contractor by the City of Austin and shall guarantee the replacement of all sidewalks, pavement and all other public property, and public utilities disturbed or removed during the construction work and shall further guarantee the construction of a walkway and other safeguards during the occupancy of the space.

The motion, seconded by Councilman MacCorkle, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake
Noes: None

Councilman MacCorkle offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, Brown & Root is the Contractor for the alteration of a building located at 118 East 6th Street and desires a portion of the sidewalk and street space abutting Lots 10, 11 and 12, Block 69, of the Original City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, during the alteration of the building, such space to be used in the work and for the storage of materials therefor; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

1. THAT space for the uses hereinabove enumerated be granted to said Brown & Root, the boundary of which is described as follows:

Sidewalk and Street Working Space

Beginning at the northeast corner of the above described property; thence in an easterly direction and at right angles to the centerline of Brazos Street to the west curb line of the above described property; thence in a southerly direction and parallel with the centerline of Brazos Street approximately 138 feet to a point; thence in a westerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of Brazos Street to the southeast corner of the above described property; thence in a southerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of East 6th Street to the north curb line; thence in a westerly direction and parallel with the centerline of East 6th Street approximately 160 feet to a point; thence in a northerly direction and at right angles to the centerline of East 6th Street to the southwest corner of the above described property.

2. THAT the above privileges and allotment of space are granted to the said Brown & Root, hereinafter termed "Contractor", upon the following express terms and conditions:

(1). That the Contractor shall construct a covered passageway extending from the building to the full width of the sidewalk and not less than 8 feet above the same substantially braced and anchored and covered on top with material of the required thickness to protect pedestrians from any falling object during the repair work of the sheet metal and roof work of said building. This passageway may be of a portable type to be moved from time to time as the work progresses and of sufficient size to protect the public at all times.

(2). The Contractor will also be permitted to use two parking meter

spaces for the delivery or removal of materials during construction work.

(3). That no vehicles in loading or unloading material at the working space shall park on any part of the street outside of the allotted working space.

(4). That "NO PARKING" signs shall be placed on the street side of the barricades.

(5). That the Contractor is permitted to construct a temporary work office within such allotted working space provided such work office is not within 25 feet of any corner street intersection.

(6). That the Contractor shall in no way obstruct any fire plugs or other public utilities in the construction of such barricades.

(7). That provisions shall be made for the normal flow of all storm waters in the gutter and the Contractor will be responsible for any damage done due to obstruction of any such storm water.

(8). That the Contractor shall place on the outside corners of any walkway, barricades or obstructions, red lights during all periods of darkness and provide lighting system for all tunnels.

(9). That the Contractor shall remove all fences, barricades, loose materials and other obstructions on the sidewalk and street immediately after the necessity for their existence on said sidewalk or street has ceased, such time to be determined by the City Manager, and in any event all such sidewalk, barricades, materials, equipment and other obstructions shall be removed not later than November 1, 1951.

(10). That the City reserves the right to revoke at any time any and all the privileges herein granted or to require the erection or installation of additional barriers or safeguards if the conditions demand it.

(11). That the use and enjoyment of the spaces herein granted shall not be exclusive as against public needs and the City in, making such grant reserves the right to enter and occupy any part or all of said space any time with its public utilities, for other necessary public purposes.

(12). That any public utility, or public or private property, disturbed or injured as a result of any of the activities necessary for the completion of the construction work for said building projects, whether done by the Contractor, City forces, or public utilities, shall be replaced or repaired at the Contractor's expense.

(13). That the Contractor shall furnish the City of Austin a surety bond in the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), which shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Austin from any claims or damages to any person or property that may accrue to or be brought by any person by reason of the exercise or abuse of the privileges granted the Contractor by the City of Austin and shall guarantee the replacement of all sidewalks, pavement and all other public property and public utilities disturbed or removed during the construction work and shall further guarantee the construction of a walkway and other safeguards during the occupancy of the space.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Long, carried by the following vote:
 Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake
 Noes: None

Councilman Long offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, on August 17, 1951, bids were received by the City of Austin for the construction of a concrete retaining wall and steps on the north side of East 12th Street from East Avenue to Branch Street; such bids being as follows:

Starling Construction Co.	\$ 3,258.10
Joe Fuhrman	3,326.95
John R. Andrews	3,408.30
J. C. Gilstrap	3,809.40
Maufrais Bros.	3,826.40
John Broad Construction Co.	4,169.40

and

WHEREAS, the bid of Starling Construction Company in the sum of \$3,258.10 was the lowest and best bid, and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Director of Public Works of the City of Austin and by the City Manager; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

THAT the bid of Starling Construction Company be and the same is hereby accepted, and W. E. Seaborn, City Manager, is authorized and directed to execute a contract with Starling Construction Company for the construction of a concrete retaining wall and steps on the basis of his bid of \$3,258.10.

The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:
 Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake

Councilman MacCorkle moved that the following applications for change of zoning be set for public hearing, September 13, 1951, at 11:00 A.M.:

FRED D. FOSTER	North $\frac{1}{2}$ of Lot 6, Blk. 14, Outlot 34, Div. "B", 2109 East 12th Street	From "A" Residence To "C" Commercial NOT Recommended by the Zoning Board of Adjust- ment.
GEORGIA PARKS	Lots 11 & 12, Blk. 20, Out- lot 32-33, Div. "B" Glenwood Add'n., and the E. 1/2 of Lots 7 & 8, Blk. 13, Outlots 33-34, Div. "B", Glenwood Add'n., 1309 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 1311 Chestnut Avenue and 2302 E. 14th Street	From "A" Residence To "C" Commercial RECOMMENDED to include additional property.

S. C. McINTOSH and
H. M. WEBB

4.07 acres, George Spear League, being part of a 17.2 acre tract, bounded by Anderson Lane, by land of the Jefferson Chemical Co, said 4.07 acres being the part of said 17.2 acres lying east of the Llano Branch of the H. & T.C. Railroad, and south of a line parallel to and 750' southwesterly from the south line of Anderson Lane, and locally known as the rear of the 1400 Block of Anderson Lane.

From "A" Residence
To "D" Industrial
NOT Recommended
by the Zoning Board
of Adjustment

The motion, seconded by Councilman Long, carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake
Noes: None

Discussion of the recommendation of the Evaluation Committee on Labor wage rates was held. The City Manager reported that the Committee had met, and recommended that Step 4 be used in the common labor scale, which would be a beginning rate of \$.75¢ for common labor. The Council had been furnished copies of the recommendation of the Evaluation Committee under date of August 22, 1951, regarding the Minimum Pay Scale for Laborers. (Copy of this recommendation on file in City Clerk's Office under "Job Evaluation") The City Manager explained this increase would mean that some of the present employees would have to be brought up to this scale, as there were some below and immediately adjacent to this pay. It would mean about \$1,000 per month to take care of those now employed. Councilman MacCorkle asked if this would get the necessary people. The City Manager stated the labor just was not here at the present; but the situation is expected to ease a bit, and that this raise will help to hold those we had. He recommended this minimum of 75¢. Inquiry was made about the Linemen. It was stated seven had been employed, and altogether it was expected to have about 15. Councilman Long stated since this was a temporary move, she would like to have it in the record that any time there is any change back from this, that it be brought back to the Council, as it is an insecure thing when people are hired at a certain price and they know it is only a temporary wage. She also stated it would be better to adjust Steps I and II and set the minimum at 75¢ rather than going to Step IV and hire the people at that level. The City Manager explained this was MR. NOLVIN WARD'S recommendation, and that this would be the best way to accomplish this without disrupting the classification. He stated any time it was felt to make any changes in any class, that he would come before the Council with his recommendations. Councilman MacCorkle moved that the recommendations submitted by the City Manager with reference to the minimum pay scale for labor be approved, and that any changes in this scale be reported to the Council for action; and any future modifications or changes be reported to the Council for action. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake
Noes: None

The Council members listed the following people to serve on the Public Market Committee:

MR. ALVIN EAST
MR. ARCH BRASWELL
MR. TOM FAIREY
DR. C. A. WILEY

MR. DAVE SHANK
MR. JAMES BOSWELL
MR. LOMIS SLAUGHTER
MR. ELMO COOK

Councilman Long moved that the above named persons be appointed to the Public Market Committee. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake
Noes: Nones

A discussion was held over a complaint of MRS. ADAIR LOCKMAN that she had written three letters regarding negotiating for some property, and had received no reply to any of them. It was stated she had telephoned so many times, and then writes; and it was not established that she was the authorized agent with whom to deal on this particular matter; and it was not felt necessary that written information be furnished her. It was thought she was a real estate agent trying to work up a trade. Councilman White said she had called him stating she was the agent for the Ulits. Councilman Long felt her letters should not be ignored, and Councilman MacCorkle thought the letter should be acknowledged. After more discussion, Councilman MacCorkle offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Austin has found that in order to adequately serve the needs of the people of the City of Austin for hospital services, it is necessary to expand, extend and improve the facilities of Brackenridge Hospital; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined as a fact that Block 167 of the Original City of Austin which is adjacent to the Brackenridge Hospital block is suitable and is needed for such expansion, extension and improvement of Brackenridge Hospital; and

WHEREAS, it appears that the City of Austin, through its duly authorized representatives, has negotiated with the owner of Lots 1 and 2 of said Block 167 of the Original City of Austin and has failed to agree with said owner on the market value of said Lots 1 and 2; and

WHEREAS, the City Council now finds as a matter of fact that it is necessary for the City of Austin to acquire said Lots 1 and 2 of Block 167 through the exercise of the power of eminent domain; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

THAT the City Manager be, and he is hereby authorized and directed, to file or cause to be filed against all owners and lienholders, a suit in eminent domain to acquire fee simple title to Lots 1 and 2 of Block 167 of the Original City of Austin.

The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake
Noes: None

The City Manager stated there would be probably two more suits on property in this neighborhood for the expansion of the hospital, to be authorized, and he would have details on them the following Thursday.

Councilman White suggested that all correspondence addressed to the Council be brought to the Council table or that copies be provided. Mayor Drake stated many mimeographed forms were sent to the Council, and he suggested leaving the mail in a basket, and the Council could come by and look at it. If it were important, the Council was furnished copies of it. Councilman White said some may think certain mail was of no importance while others might think it was important. He thought any mail addressed to the Council should come to the Council table. Councilman Long wanted to have copies made and sent out to the Council; and any mimeographed forms inviting the Council to conventions, etc., could be put in a basket; but anything else, she wanted copies sent to her. Councilman Long then moved that Mrs. Lockman's letter be answered concerning these two pieces of property on which she has corresponded with the City. The motion failed to receive a second. The City Manager stated he would acknowledge receipt of the letter.

Regarding the annexation of property, Mayor Drake suggested that the City Manager recommend to the Council which areas should be considered first--which areas he believed would have the least objection, so that they could be heard and work started. He felt if it were known which would have the least amount of argument, those could be combined into one hearing.

The following seven ordinances providing for the extension of certain boundary limits of the City of Austin were introduced:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 6.7 SQUARE MILES OF LAND COMPOSED OF TWO TRACTS, THE FIRST TRACT BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE T. J. CHAMBERS GRANT, THE ALBERT SILSBEE SURVEY, THE C. J. STROTHER SURVEY, AND THE DANIEL J. GILBERT SURVEY, ALL IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; AND THE SECOND TRACT BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE T. J. CHAMBERS GRANT, THE JAS. P. DAVIS SURVEY, THE GEORGE W. DAVIS SURVEY, THE JAS. M. MITCHELL SURVEY, THE JAMES P. WALLACE SURVEY NO. 18, AND THE GEO. W. SPEAR

LEAGUE, ALL IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, WHICH SAID ADDITIONAL TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, IN THE PARTICULARS STATED IN THE ORDINANCE.

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 1.9 SQUARE MILES OF LAND OUT OF AND A PART OF THE JAMES P. WALLACE SURVEY AND THE JOHN APPELGAIT SURVEY, IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, WHICH SAID ADDITIONAL TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN IN THE PARTICULARS STATED IN THE ORDINANCE.

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 4.6 SQUARE MILES OF LAND COMPOSED OF PARTS OF THE JAMES P. WALLACE SURVEY, THE D. SIMPSON SURVEY, THE A.W.CANEFIELD SURVEY, THE JAMES BURLESON SURVEY, THE A.B. SPEAR SURVEY, THE S.Q.WHATLEY SURVEY, THE THOMAS ELDRIDGE SURVEY, THE J. A. G. BROOKS SURVEY, THE JOHN APPELGAIT SURVEY, THE J. C. TANNEHILL SURVEY, THE P. LASK SURVEY AND THE W. AVERY SURVEY, ALL IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, WHICH ADDITIONAL TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, IN THE PARTICULARS STATED IN THE ORDINANCE.

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 5.1 SQUARE MILES OF LAND, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE A. B. SPEAR SURVEY, THE THOMAS ELDRIDGE SURVEY, THE J. C. HARRELSON SURVEY, THE S. Q. WHATLEY SURVEY, THE HENRY HARRELL SURVEY AND THE J. C. TANNEHILL LEAGUE, ALL IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, AND ALSO OUT OF AND A PART OF DIVISION A AND DIVISION B OF THE GOVERNMENT OUTLOTS ADJOINING THE ORIGINAL CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, ACCORDING TO A MAP OR PLAT OF SAID GOVERNMENT OUTLOTS ON FILE IN THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, WHICH TRACT AND ADDITIONAL TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, IN THE PARTICULARS STATED IN THE ORDINANCE.

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 5.8 SQUARE MILES OF LAND IN THE SANTIAGO DEL VALLE GRANT AND THE J. C. TANNEHILL LEAGUE, IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, WHICH ADDITIONAL TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, IN THE PARTICULARS STATED IN THE ORDINANCE.

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY CONSISTING OF A TRACT OF LAND COMPOSED OF PART OF THE ISAAC DECKER LEAGUE, THE WM. CANNON LEAGUE, THE THEODORE BISSEL SURVEY, THE JAS. TRAMMEL SURVEY, THE CHAS. H. RIDDLE SURVEY AND THE HENRY P. HILL LEAGUE, ALL IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, WHICH SAID ADDITIONAL TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, IN THE PARTICULARS STATED IN THE ORDINANCE.

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 1.9 SQUARE MILES OF LAND COMPOSED OF TWO TRACTS OF LAND IN THE HENRY P. HILL SURVEY IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, WHICH SAID ADDITIONAL TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, IN THE PARTICULARS STATED IN THE ORDINANCE.

Councilman MacCorkle moved that the publication of these ordinances be authorized in accordance with the City Charter. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilman Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake
Noes: None

Councilman MacCorkle inquired about the advisability of the City having its own wrecker, as was recommended by the Traffic Board. Mayor Drake said this was a recommendation, and did not need immediate action. Councilman Long stated there were wreckers available in the City that could handle this particular type of business. The City Manager stated that besides purchasing the wrecker, it would have to be staffed and operated.

Councilman MacCorkle stated he would like to get the Budget by December 1st of this year, so that he would have a month to study it.

Councilman Long asked for a water rate reduction next summer for watering lawns, and asked that a lot of thought be given to this.

Mayor Drake, in the discussion of the budget, wanted the budget broken down this year into operating expenses and capital expenditures.

Councilman White made a report to the Council of some inspections he had made the past week. He had visited the Metz Swimming Pool and had met the new guard and police officer. Everything was in good order at this swimming pool. He found all departments at the Abattoir in operation and everything was O. K. He visited some of the fire stations. Most of the stations were in good shape--the one on South Congress was needing some ceiling fans. He stated the boys at all the stations that did not have fans were asking for them. The Chicon Street Station had the fans, but the venetian blinds were out of order. The Lydia Street station was in good shape, with the exception of the need of ceiling fans. The East Avenue Station was in a deplorable condition because of the termites. The plaster was falling off where they had come through the ceiling. The termites had ruined the window casings, and every time it rained, it came through. He asked that this station be checked and treated, as it was in a serious condition. The 43rd Street Station was all right except it is a poorly planned station. The shower is in the kitchen, back of the cook stove. The cupboard in the kitchen is right next to the toilet room. The sink needed repairing. Councilman MacCorkle stated in his inspections, he found the outside appearances very good and the firemen needed to be complimented in keeping what they have so nicely. Councilman Long reported at the 43rd Street Station there were only two men on duty whereas there should be five. One man had quit, and these two men had been on duty for two days; and she thought that this station being in the neighborhood to serve the Austin State Hospital, that shortage of personnel should not exist. Councilman White continued his report, stating the Hancock Station was beautiful, but the men there, too, were asking for fans. Most of the men at the stations were complaining about mosquitoes, saying the mosquitoes came up under the drains. The drains are sprayed about once a month, but the firemen wash the stations down every week, and Councilman White suggested having the drains treated more often, or give the men something to pour down the drains to kill the mosquitoes. It was suggested that they use kerosene. Councilman MacCorkle then moved that the City Manager call this report to the attention of Chief Woody and request the Chief to report back to the Council through the City Manager on these conditions and others that should be brought to their attention. The motion, seconded by Councilman Long, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake
Noes: None

Councilman White stated he was asked about two or three weeks ago to bring a matter up before the Council, and he reported on this matter stating there were some irregularities in the tire dealings of the City. The contract provided that the mounting of tires would be included in the purchase price. He stated when the truck tires were mounted, a ticket was made out for tube repairs, as the Company was allowed \$1.00 for tube repairs. These tickets have been made out as tube repairs when the tires were mounted. He stated he had the name of the individual that came to him 2½ weeks ago, as he had to talk to someone on the Council, since

this person had charge of the tires and was afraid that something might happen and he would be held liable. The man was MR. I. B. FELPS, Street and Bridge Department. Mr. Felps had mentioned this to the Superintendent several months ago, and the Superintendent had said he would see about it, but had never done anything about it. MR. FELPS had requested to be transferred off the job, as he did not want to have anything to do with this. Councilman White regretted having to bring this to the Council, but he had been asked to do so, and was asked to use the individual's name so that he would be cleared. Councilman Long moved that the City Manager be instructed to look into this matter and report back to the Council, and that this man and his job be protected. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Johnson, Long, MacCorkle, White, Mayor Drake
Noes: None

Councilman Long asked for a report on the condemnation proceedings regarding the opening of Arroya Seca. The City Manager reported on the developments up to this time.

There being no further business, the Council adjourned subject to the call of the Mayor.

APPROVED: W S Drake

Mayor

ATTEST:

Elmer Mosley
City Clerk